down its Bermo coal mines. The DVC has since decided in favour of their continued operation.

Loans by Power Finance Corporation to SEB's

142. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Power Finance Corporation (PFC) has sanctioned loans for various power projects of State Electricity Boards (SEBs) with a view to help them to utilise the financial assistance given to the Corporation by the World Bank and The Asian Development Bank for improving the efficiency of power systems in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount of assistance sanctioned to each of the S.E.Bs so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The World Bank and ADB have given the following loans to Power Finance Corporation (PFC) through the Government of India for financing the sub-projects of selected State Electricity Boards (SEBs), with a view to improve the efficiency of Power Sector:

Name of the Bank	Amount (in US$)
World Bank	265 Million
ADB	250 Million

The objectives of the loans are given in statement (*See* below).

(c) Till 31.1.94, the amount of assistance sanctioned to each of the SEBs by the PFC is as under:—

World Bank Loan (Amount in Rs. crores)

Andhra Pradesh S.E.B.	— 157.38
Madhya Pradesh S.E.B.	— 209.70
Gujarat Electricity Board	— 213.80
Rajasthan S.E.B.	— 0.02
	580.90

Asian Development Bank Loan

Karnataka S.E.B.	— 216.00
Orissa S.E.B.	— 128.40
Maharashtra S.E.B.	— 145.40
Tamil Nadu S.E.B.	— 18.40
	508.00

Statement

The objectives of the World Bank and ADB Loan for improving the efficiency of Power Systems in the country

World Bank Loan for Power Utilities Efficiency Improvement Project

The loan became effective on 18.3.92.

The loan is to be utilised for the following main objects:

1. Upgrading of transmission and distribution systems;
2. Environmental upgrading of Power Plants;
3. System Renovation; and
4. Institutional Strengthening of power utilities and PFC.
5. Pre-investment Operation: The objectives of Pre-investment Fund are Financing for preparation of pre-feasibility reports, feasibilities studies, detailed engineering for power schemes; Preparation of studies of Institutional nature and those necessary to improve the managerial, financial or operational efficiency of power sector or power utilities;

Studies for system integration and of sectorial future leading to improved sector wise policies and efficiency.

ADB Loan for Power Efficiency (Sector) Project:

The Loan became effective on 22.7.92.

The loan is to be utilised mainly for following projects of qualified SEBs.

1. Renovation and Modernisation of Power Plants;
2. Procurement and installation of capacitors;
3. Rehabilitation and reinforcement of Urban Power Distribution Systems;
4. Power transmission development including 400 KV lines/sub-station and power evacuation lines from new generating plants;
5. Rehabilitation and reconductoring of existing transmissions lines; and
6. Electric Meters for retail metering.

Power Projects by Foreign Investors

143. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new power projects being implemented by foreign investors;

(b) whether Government have given any guarantee to the foreign investors for any minimum return for their investments;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) in what way the price for power produced by the foreign investors will be determined?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) As on date, foreign private companies (including NRIs and joint ventures) have shown interest in setting up of 35 power projects with installed capacity of 22432 MW involving an investment of Rs. 73.386 crores.

(b) and (c) The regulations provide that a 16% return on the equity which shall be computed on the paid up and subscribed capital relatable to the generating unit, as an element in the fixed cost part of the tariff.

(d) The price of the power from all generating companies, including foreign generating companies would be determined in accordance with the notifications issued by Government of India in this regard.

Foreign Investment in Power Sector

144. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total foreign private investment in power sector approved by Government so far;

(b) what is the total foreign investment likely to be made during 1994-95 in power sector in India;

(c) whether Government have approved 7 power projects costing Rs. 21 thousand crores till date,

(d) if so, what are the places where these power projects will be set up;

(e) by when work on these projects is likely to be started;

(f) whether the foreign countries have some doubts about regular payments by the State Electricity Boards for power supplied from these stations; and

(g) what would be the total capacity of power to be obtained from these 7 power projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (e) As on date, Government has cleared 7 power projects from foreign investment angle with generating capacity of 5128MW involving an investment of Rs. 21867 crores for execution in the private sector. The details of these projects are given at